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**Celebration of
The Lord's Supper
with
Washing of Feet**

Maundy Thursday

6 April 2023

6.30pm

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Celebration of the Lord's Supper

WITH WASHING OF FEET

Music before the Service

Le Banquet céleste • Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)

Please stand as the procession enters.

Entrance Hymn

NEH 270

According to thy gracious word,
In meek humility,
This will I do, my dying Lord,
I will remember thee.

Thy body, broken for my sake,
My bread from heaven shall be;
Thy testamental cup I take,
And thus remember thee.

Gethsemane can I forget?
Or there thy conflict see,
Thine agony and bloody sweat,
And not remember thee?

When to the cross I turn mine eyes
And rest on Calvary
O Lamb of God, my sacrifice,
I must remember thee:

Remember thee, and all thy pains,
And all thy love to me;
Yea, while a breath, a pulse remains,
Will I remember thee.

And when these failing lips grow dumb,
And mind and memory flee,
When thou shalt in thy kingdom come,
Jesus, remember me.

Tune: St Botolph

Gordon Slater
(1896-1979)

Text:

James Montgomery
(1771-1854)

Please remain standing.

The Gathering

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

The President welcomes the congregation and introduces the celebration.

Prayers of Penitence

Our Lord Jesus Christ says:

'If you love me, keep my commandments.'

'Unless I wash you, you have no part in me.'

Let us confess to almighty God our sins against his love,
and ask him to cleanse us.

Have mercy on us, O God,
in your great goodness;
according to the abundance of your compassion
blot out our offences.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Against you only have we sinned
and done what is evil in your sight.

Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Purge us from our sin and we shall be clean;
wash us and we shall be whiter than snow.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

The Absolution

May the Father forgive you
by the death of his Son
and strengthen you
to live in the power of the Spirit
all your days.

All Amen.

Please sit when the President sits. The Choir sings:

Gloria in Excelsis

Glória in excélsis Deo
et in terra pax homínibus bonae
voluntátis.

Laudámus te, benedícimus te,
adorámus te, glorificámus te,
grátias ágimus tibi propter
magnam glóriam tuam,
Dómine Deus, Rex caeléstis,
Deus Pater omnípotens.

Dómine Fili unigénite, Jesu
Christe,
Dómine Deus, Agnus Dei, Fílius
Patris,
qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserére
nobis;
qui tollis peccáta mundi, súscipe
deprecatióem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserére nobis.

Quóniam tu solus Sanctus, tu
solus Dóminus, tu solus Altíssimus,
Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spíritu:
in glória Dei Patris.
Amen.

Glory be to God on high
And in earth peace, goodwill
towards men,
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee, for thy
great glory
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son,
Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of
God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the
world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of
the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand
of God the Father, have mercy
upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only
art the Lord; thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost, art most high
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

The Collect

Please stand.

Let us pray.

God our Father,
you have invited us to share in the supper
which your Son gave to his Church
to proclaim his death until he comes:
may he nourish us by his presence,
and unite us in his love;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Please sit.

First Reading

Exodus 12.1-4, 11-14

Read by Heather Smith

A reading from the Book of Exodus.

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it.

This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgements: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 116.10-17

The response is:



The cup of bless-ing which we bless, is it not a shar-ing of the blood of Christ.

How shall I repay the Lord
for all the benefits he has given to me
I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call upon the name of the Lord. **R**

I will fulfil my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people.
Precious in the sight of the Lord
is the death of his faithful servants. **R**

O Lord I am your servant,
your servant the child of your handmaid
you have freed me from my bonds.
I will offer to you a sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call upon the name of the Lord. **R**

I will fulfil my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people,
in the courts of the house of the Lord,
in the midst of you O Jerusalem. **R**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 11.23-26

Read by **Angela Toyne**

A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

The Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

I give you a new commandment, says the Lord:
Love one another as I have loved you.

All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Gospel

John 13.1-17, 31b-35

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, 'Lord, are you going to wash my feet?' Jesus answered, 'You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand. Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit.

Sermon

The Dean of Southwark

The Washing of the Feet

During the anthem, the President washes the feet of six members of the congregation, recalling the Lord's action in the Upper Room.

Anthem

Ubi caritas • Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus
ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum
Christi amor.
Exultemus et in ipso
iucundemur.
Timeamus et amemus
Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos
sincero.

Where charity and love are, God is
there.
Christ's love has gathered us into
one.
Let us rejoice and be pleased in
Him.
Let us fear and let us love the
living God.
And may we love each other with
a sincere heart.

After the anthem, the organist improvises a meditation while the congregation keep prayerful silence.

Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us
that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters
we do also for you:
give us the will to be the servant of others
as you were the servant of all,
and gave up your life and died for us,
but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

In the power of the Spirit,
let us pray to the Father
through Christ the saviour of the world.

Please sit or kneel. The prayers are led by Nigel Paine

Father,
on this, the night he was betrayed,
your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet.
We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service.
Lord, hear us

All and humble us.

On this night, he prayed for his disciples to be one.
We pray for the unity of your Church.
Lord, hear us

All and unite us.

On this night, he prayed for those who were to believe through his
disciples' message.
We pray for the mission of your Church.
Lord, hear us

All and renew our zeal.

On this night, he commanded his disciples to love,
but suffered rejection himself.
We pray for the rejected and unloved.
Lord, hear us

All and fill us with your love.

On this night, he reminded his disciples
that if the world hated them it hated him first.
We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith.
Lord, hear us

All and give us your peace.

On this night, he accepted the cup of death
and looked forward to the new wine of the kingdom.
We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ.
Lord, hear us

All and welcome all your children into paradise.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Please stand.

The Peace

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Please remain standing. During the Offertory Hymn, a collection will be received. A contactless terminal is included in the offertory baskets if you would prefer to use a card rather than cash for your offering.

Offertory Hymn

NEH 307

Sweet Sacrament divine,
Hid in thine earthly home,
Lo, round thy lowly shrine,
With suppliant hearts we come;
Jesu, to thee our voice we raise
In songs of love and heartfelt praise:
Sweet Sacrament divine.

Sweet Sacrament of peace,
Dear home for every heart,
Where restless yearnings cease
And sorrows all depart;
There in thine ear all trustfully
We tell our tale of misery:
Sweet Sacrament of peace.

Sweet Sacrament of rest,
Ark from the ocean's roar,
Within thy shelter blest
Soon may we reach the shore;
Save us, for still the tempest raves,
Save, lest we sink beneath the waves:
Sweet Sacrament of rest.

Sweet Sacrament divine,
Earth's light and jubilee,
In thy far depths doth shine
Thy Godhead's majesty;
Sweet light, so shine on us, we pray
That earthly joys may fade away:
Sweet Sacrament divine.

Tune: Divine Mysteries

Francis Stanfield
(1835-1914)

Text:

Francis Stanfield
(1835-1914)

Please remain standing.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,
through whom you have created all things;
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as you Son, born of the blessèd Virgin,
he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;
he put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

It is indeed right to give you thanks,
Father most holy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
For on this night he girded himself with a towel
and, taking the form of a servant,
washed the feet of his disciples.
He gave us a new commandment
that we should love one another as he has loved us.
Knowing that his hour had come,
in his great love he gave this supper to his disciples
to be a memorial of his passion,
that we might proclaim his death until he comes again,
and feast with him in his kingdom.
Therefore earth united with heaven
to sing a new song of praise;
we too join with angels and archangels
as they proclaim your glory without end:

The Choir sings:

Sánctus, sánctus, sánctus
Dóminus Déus Sábaoth
Pléni sunt caéli et térra
glória túa.
Hosánna in excélsis.

Benedíctus qui vénit
in nómine Dómini.
Hosánna in excélsis.

Holy, holy, holy
Lord, God of Sabaoth,
heaven and earth are full of your
glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessèd is he that comes in the
name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The President continues:

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Christ is the bread of life:

**All When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary
and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Lord Jesus, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread,
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

**All Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Invitation to Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessèd are those who are called to his supper.

**All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Please follow the directions of the Stewards. If you wish to receive from the chalice please go to the point of administration after receiving the host. Please do not dip the host into the chalice. If you would like to receive a blessing please bow your head.

During the distribution, the Choir sings:

Agnus Dei

Ágnus Déi,
qui tóllis peccáta múndi,
miserére nóbis.

Ágnus Déi,
qui tóllis peccáta múndi,
miserére nóbis.

Ágnus Déi,
qui tóllis peccáta múndi,
dóna nóbis pácem.

O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sins of the
world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sins of the
world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sins of the
world,
grant us thy peace.

Followed by:

Communion Anthem

Christus factus est • Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)

Christus factus est
pro nobis obediens
usque ad mortem,
mortem autem crucis.
Propter quod et Deus
exaltavit illum et dedit
illi nomen,
quod est super omne
nomen.

Christ became obedient
for us unto death,
even to the death,
death on the cross.
Therefore God exalted Him
and gave Him a name
which is above all names.

Prayer after Communion

Please sit or kneel.

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ,
we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament
you have given us the memorial of your passion:
grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries
of your body and blood
that we may know within ourselves
and show forth in our lives
the fruit of your redemption,
for you are alive and reign, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Please remain seated or kneeling.

Procession to the Altar of Repose

During the Hymn, the Blessed Sacrament is taken in procession to the Lady Chapel where the Watch will be kept.

Hymn

NEH 268

Of the glorious body telling,
O my tongue, its mysteries sing,
And the blood, all price excelling,
Which the world's eternal King,
In a noble womb once dwelling,
Shed for this world's ransoming.

Given for us, for us descending,
Of a virgin to proceed,
Man with man in converse blending,
Scattered he the gospel seed,
Till his sojourn drew to ending,
Which he closed in wondrous deed.

At the last great supper lying
Circled by his chosen band,
Duly with the law complying,
First he finished its command,
Then, immortal food supplying,
Gave himself by his own hand.

Word-made-flesh, by word he maketh
Bread his very flesh to be;
Man in wine Christ's blood partaketh:
And if senses fail to see,
Faith alone the true heart waketh
To behold the mystery.

Therefore we, before him bending,
This great sacrament revere:
Types and shadows have their ending,
For the newer rite is here;
Faith, our outward sense befriending,
Makes the inward vision clear.

Glory let us give and blessing
To the Father and the Son,
Honour, might and praise addressing,
While eternal ages run;
Ever too his love confessing,
Who, from both, with both is one. Amen.

Tune: Pange Lingua

Plainchant
Mode iii

Text:

St Thomas Aquinas (1227-1274)
Tr. J. M. Neale (1818-1866) et al.

The Stripping of the Altar

Please remain seated or kneeling. The Choir sings the Psalm as the Altar is stripped.

Psalm 22

My God, my God, look upon me; why hast thou forsaken me:
and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint?

O my God, I cry in the day-time, but thou hearest not:
and in the night-season also I take no rest.

And thou continuest holy:
O thou worship of Israel.

Our fathers hoped in thee:
they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them.

They called upon thee, and were holpen:
they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded.

But as for me, I am a worm, and no man:
a very scorn of men, and the outcast of the people.

All they that see me laugh me to scorn:
they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,

He trusted in God, that he would deliver him:
let him deliver him, if he will have him.

But thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb:
thou wast my hope, when I hanged yet upon my mother's breasts.

I have been left unto thee ever since I was born:
thou art my God, even from my mother's womb.

O go not from me, for trouble is hard at hand:
and there is none to help me.

Many oxen are come about me:
fat bulls of Basan close me in on every side.

They gape upon me with their mouths:
as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.

I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint:
my heart also in the midst of my body is even like melting wax.

My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaveth to my
gums:
and thou shalt bring me into the dust of death.

For many dogs are come about me:
and the council of the wicked layeth siege against me.

They pierced my hands and my feet; I may tell all my bones:
they stand staring and looking upon me.

They part my garments among them:
and cast lots upon my vesture.

But be not thou far from me, O Lord:
thou art my succour, haste thee to help me.

Deliver my soul from the sword:
my darling from the power of the dog.

Save me from the lion's mouth:
thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.

The Watch

Gospel

Matthew 26.36-46

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, 'Sit here while I go over there and pray.' He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them, 'I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.' And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, 'My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.' Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, 'So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.' Again he went away for the second time and prayed, 'My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.' Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them, 'Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

No response is made.

The service ends in silence. Members of the congregation are warmly invited to spend time in silent prayer tonight at the Lady Chapel in the Retrochoir, where we may "watch with Christ" at our own Garden of Gethsemane. The Watch continues until 10pm. The doors of the Cathedral in the Millennium Courtyard will remain open until 10pm, and you are welcome to come and go as you wish.

Please keep silence.

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Welcome to Southwark Cathedral. Set on the south bank of the River Thames in one of the most vibrant and diverse communities in London, this building has been a constant witness in a place of change.

The first church was built on this site around the year 606. First a convent, then a monastery, it became in 1106 the Augustinian Priory of St Mary Overie. With Westminster Abbey and St Bartholomew the Great in Smithfield it is one of the three remaining great monastic churches of London. At the Reformation the Priory became a parish church and it remains so for the people of Bankside. In 1905, as south London was rapidly expanding, the church was consecrated as the cathedral for the new Diocese of Southwark.

As well as a place of constant witness to our faith in Jesus Christ, this church has a momentous and proud history and has had links with many famous and influential characters including St Thomas Becket, Geoffrey Chaucer, William Shakespeare and Charles Dickens.

In the 20th century this cathedral was at the heart of the new movement in theology termed 'South Bank Religion'. This movement asked challenging questions of people about faith in the modern age which continue to be explored at Southwark Cathedral which describes itself as 'inclusive: faithful: radical'.

Whatever has brought you here today, you are most welcome. Become part of the life here if you can; it will change your life as you encounter with us our living God.

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